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Q.R. 16/3/27.
Shanghai Municipal Police.

No. 7584
16/3/27
Wayside Police Station.

March 15th. 1927.

Further **REPORT ON** Court proceedings in case against Labour Unionists.
re. attached File No. I. O. 7587.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by *G. Maitland Inspt*

Sir,

With reference to the attached I beg to report that the four men mentioned were brought before Judge Hsu and Deputy Stevens at the Provisional Court for further trial at 2.30p.m. on the 15/3/'27. Mr. Maitland appeared for the prosecution and after rehearing the evidence given by D. I. Prince at the first trial, the Court declared all the accused not guilty and dismissed them.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently,

J. W. Prince
D. I.

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REPORT ON Convicts returned from Commissioner of Defence's Yamen
at Loonghwa.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

P. Crookdale

Sir,

I beg to report that the four convicted Agitators who were sent to The Commissioner of Defences Yamen at Loonghwa on the 16/2/'27 were returned to this station by Inspector Shaw of the Shanghai Provisional Court at 6.30 P.M., today. These men named as follows are detained at this station pending further instructions as to their disposal.

Ling Yih San 林益三

Zau Ling 曹林

Wong Tshung Ling 王春林

Yang Zung Tsu 楊仁芝

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently

J. W. Prince
D. I.

W. J.
G. B.

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February 23, 27

Shanghai Defence Commissioner.

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated February 20, concerning Ling Yih San, I have the honour to forward hereunder replies to the queries therein set forth:-

- (1) No. The leaders of the Union are Yui Foh Sung () and Wong Tsung Ling () one of the four sent to Loonghwa on 16/2/27.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Arrests will be made when possible.
- (4) The s.s. "Kiang Zing" () is at present at Nanking, where it has been for some time as a troop ship. If Yang Zung Chih () was not concerned in strike agitation he would not have gone to the Tramway Employees Union where he was arrested.
- (5) The Tramway Co. made no promise to reinstate any dismissed employees.
- (6) The only further evidence against Ling Yih San () Yang Zung Chih (), Wong Tsung Ling () and Zau Ling () would be, corroboration of D.I. Prince's evidence, given at the Provisional Court by Inspector Morgan and P.C.C. Ovsiannikoff.
- (7) The handbills found by the Police at No. 338 Yulin Road

were not being distributed at the time of the raid, but were found in such places as permitted anyone to take them who wished to do so.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner of Police.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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Wayside Police Station.

February 22nd. 1927.

REPORT ON Inquiries re. Shanghai Tramway's Employees' Union

re. attached C. I. D. File I. O. 7587.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

Sir,

With reference to the attached I beg to forward the following replies to the questions enumerated in the letter from the Adjutant of the Shanghai Defence Commissioner:

(1) No. ! The leaders of the Union are Yui Foh Sung (余福生) and Wong Tsung Ling (王春林), one of the four sent to Loonghwa

(2) Yes. (on 16/2/27)

(3) Arrests will be made when possible.

(4) The s.s. Kiang Zing (江靖) is at present at Nanking where it has been for some time, as a troop ship.

If Yang Zung Chih (楊仁之) was not concerned in strike agitation he would not have gone to the Tramway Employees Union where he was arrested.

(5) The Tramway Company made no promises to reinstate any dismissed employees.

(6) The only further evidence against Ling Yih San (林益三), Yang Zung Chih (楊仁之), Wong Tsung Ling, and Zau Ling (曹林) would be, corroboration of D.I. Prince's evidence, given at the Provisional Court, by Inspector Morgan and P.C.C. Ovsianikoff.

(7) The handbills found by the Police at No. 338 Yulin Road, were not being distributed at the time of the raid, but were found in such places as permitted anyone to take them who wished to do so.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently.

J. W. Prince
D. I.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

Translation of a letter from the Headquarters of the Shanghai Defence
Commissioner (handed in by Central 21-2-27).

February 20, 1927.

British Central Police Station.

Gentlemen,

We have to request you to ascertain the different points enumerated in the attached list concerning ^林 Ling ^益 Yih ^三 San and others who were taken over by us from the Provisional Court and to let us have a reply so as to enable us to pass a judgment, thus obliging.

(Chopped) The seal of the Office of
the Adjutant to the Shanghai
Defence Commissioner.

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- (1) Was the Tramway Employees' Union organised with the permission of the Tramway Company and who is the chief of the Union?
- (2) Are the Water, Electric and Postal Employees' Amalgamated Association and the Tramway Employees' Union the one and same body?
- (3) Endeavours should be made to effect the arrest of Yue Foh Sung (余福生) and Yen Chu Chang (嚴志章), the representatives of the strikers.
- (4) Ascertain from Ling Ah Fang (林阿芳), captain of S.S. Kiang Hsing whether Yang Zung-chih (楊仁之) is a law abiding man.
- (5) Ascertain from the Tramway Co. whether the Company did give promises to reinstate all dismissed workers.
- (6) Have the Police any other evidence against Ling Yih San and the 3 others.
- (7) Were the handbills found (? by the Police) being distributed on the spot?

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No. 11/2/27.

Wayside Police Station.

February 16th. 1927.

Further REPORT ON Court proceedings following arrest of Labour Unionists.

re. attached File No. I. O. R. 7587.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by P. Crookall %

Sir,

With reference to the attached I beg to report that at the first hearing of the case against the men mentioned, the Prosecuting Solicitor, Mr. Maitland, ^{asked} for the accused to be handed over to the Chinese Authorities to be dealt with, but the presiding Magistrate remanded the case for Special Hearing, and asked that copies of the Inflammatory Literature and Posters be submitted for the Court's perusal during the remand. This latter request was attended to by D. I. Prince, and the case had been dealt with by the Judge without any further hearing. The decision of the Court being that the application for the men to be handed over to the Commissioner of Defence for Shanghai District, as made by Mr. Maitland, is granted. Consequently the charge sheet referring to the case was called for and the judgement afore stated, entered thereon at Court. At 4.15p.m. on the 16/2/27 three officers, attached to the Commissioner of Defence's Yamen at Lunghwa, came to this station, from the Provisional Court accompanied by S.I. Walker, and the four men were duly handed over to them to be escorted to the Commissioner Of Defence's Yamen at Lunghwa.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Names of above four men.

Ling Yeh San (林益三)

Yang Zung Chih (楊仁之)

Wong Tsung Ling (王春林)

Zau Ling (曹林)

D. I.

D/R. 12/2/27.

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Wayside Police Station.

February 11th. 1927.

REPORT ON Court proceedings re. arrests mentioned in attached.

I. O. R. File No. 7587.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by *P. C. C. C. C. C.*

Sir,

With reference to the attached I beg to report that the four men mentioned were brought before Court on the 11/2/27. Mr. Maitland P.S. appeared to prosecute and after Police evidence had been given by D.I. Prince and copies of pamphlets and inflammatory literature, which were seized at the time of the raid, had been submitted to the Court, the case was remanded for Special Hearing. The accused to be kept in custody in the meantime.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently,

Prince
D. I.

J.W.P.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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Wayside Police Station.

February 10th. 1927.

REPORT ON Raid on Labour Unionists Meeting at No. 338 Yulin Road.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I.

Forwarded by



Sir,

With reference to the attached I beg to report that at 11.5a.m. on the 10/2/27 information was received at this station to the effect that a Labour Union meeting was being held in the premises of the Shanghai Electric Construction Company's Employees Union, No. 338 Yulin Road; All available men at this station under Inspector Morgan, Sub-Inspr. Walker and D.I. Prince immediately proceeded to the above address, where 54 men and 5 young women were holding a meeting in a large room on the upper floor. Three of the men, apparently leading Speakers, were seated at a table at one end of the room, and another man was addressing the meeting, while the audience were all seated in rows, on forms, facing the Speakers' table. On D.I. Prince entering this room the speaker stopped his address, therefore the subject of it could not be ascertained, but it was afterwards learned, that the Speakers were bringing to the notice of the audience the fact, that the employees of the Shanghai Tramway Company, S.M.C. Electricity Department, Waterworks Department, and other Foreign firms had induced, or forced, their employers to increase their wages, and that now it was the duty of the members of the various Labour Unions to urge the proprietors of large Chinese Establishments to increase the wages of their employees, where this had not already been done. On the appearance of the Police at this meeting there was no disturbance. Inspector Morgan then communicated with the Commissioner of Police by telephone and Orders were received to arrest the leading persons at the meeting, whereupon the speaker and his three confederates at

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the table were arrested and sent to Wayside Station under escort. In the meanwhile inquiries were made by D.I. Prince, and it was found that there was not one representative of the Shanghai Tramway Employees among those present at the meeting, the whole audience being composed of representatives of the following Unions: Ewo Cotton Mill No. 1 Employees Union, San Sing Employees Union, Hung Feng " " , Wing On " " , Dong Shing " " , Nagawata " " , Eu Sung " " , Nangyang Bros." " , Commercial Press " " , S.M.C. Elec.Dept. " " , Chinese Post Office " " , Dry Goods stores " " , New Engineering Works " " , and Shanghai Seamens Union

(at 1295 Woosung Road.

On this being discovered the Commissioner of Police was again communicated with, and Orders were received to arrest all those present and take them to Wayside Station for inquiries.

A Squad of the Police Reserve Unit were then called, and with their assistance the remainder of those at the meeting were escorted to Wayside Station. While this was being done a crowd of about 200 men, apparently mechanics, and loafers, were noticed coming up Yulin Road, from the East, towards the scene of the raid, some of the men in front were shouting and urging those behind to follow them, and it was presumed that their intention was to create a disturbance and perhaps attempt to rescue those in custody of the Police, whereupon, on the near approach of these men, Inspector Morgan assisted by members of the Reserve

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Unit, and our own Police, charged them with batons and dispersed them, and the whole of the persons arrested were escorted to Wayside Station without further incident. There was only one casualty during the raid; A man named Loh Ching (陸經) a foodshop assistant, living in Chapei, jumped from a back window in the house and injured his leg. This was not known until he was discovered by Sergt. West, who found him in the back passage-way unable to walk. He was immediately removed to St. Luke's Hospital where he is detained for treatment. At this station all those arrested were examined by D.I. Yorke, and Mr. Zung, of the Intelligence Office, after which, on instructions of Captain Martin D. C. P. and Mr. Maitland P. S., who visited this station, four men were charged and the remainder were cautioned and allowed to go. The four men charged will be brought before Court on the 11/2/'27.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obadiently,

D. I.

W. J. French

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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February 9, 1927.

REPORT ON Plans of Employees of Shanghai Electrical Co.,
to hold an unauthorized meeting.

Made by D. I. Prince.

Forwarded by DIRECTOR OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Sir,

Information was received at Wayside Station that employees of the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co., had planned to hold a meeting in their union at No. 338 Yulin Road, between 9 p.m. February 9 and 1 a.m. February 10 for the purpose of electing delegates to represent their organization in the Shanghai General Labour Union. These facts were brought to the notice of the Prosecuting Solicitor who states that under Regulation 9 and 10 of the Special Police Laws, the Police have power to suppress the meeting. I respectfully beg to apply for instructions as to whether the Police should warn the parties that the meeting will not be allowed or whether they should proceed to the premises mentioned and suppress the gathering after the proceedings start?

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

Forwarded.

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D. I. Prince

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D. C. I.

Suppress the meeting after
proceedings start - impound
documents found and charge
as many as possible under
recent proclamation & S. P. Law.

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Edw. Sarah
C.P.

Memorandum.

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No. 7587
10/2/27

FROM THE POLICE FORCE.
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

To D. C. I.

STATION.

Shanghai, February 9, 1927.

Sir,

A circular has been distributed among employees of the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co., urging them to attend meetings which will be held between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. February 9, and between midnight February 9 and 1 a.m. February 10 at No. 338 Yan Ling Lee (延齡里), Yulin Road. Det. Insp. Prince has made arrangements to confer with the Prosecuting Solicitor about this matter.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. H. Givens

C. D. I.

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Extract from Intelligence Report
dated February 14, 1927.

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The following is a translation of a handbill of which copies were distributed on Whashing Road on the early morning of February 14, 1927:-

"A letter from the Tramway Employees' Club to all
"Chinese workers."

"Fellow-workers of the Tramway Co:-

"It is terrible to think that the Police Authorities

"sealed up the workers' club the day before

"yesterday without reason. But will this

"organization be sealed forever? No! The

Police knew how to arrange to have it sealed,

"but we also understood ways and means whereby

it could be re-opened. Being united into one

"body, we, the workers of the Company, felt

"strong enough to remove the seals ourselves,

"and did so yesterday. Our union has accordingly

"been revived. The Police may try to oppress us

"again, but we are ready to defend ourselves.

"When the seals were removed from our Union we

"resumed work. We must, however, remember that

"four comrades, who were arrested while enjoying

"our hospitality, are still in custody. We must

"arrange to come to their rescue. Keep this in

"mind! Exert yourselves! Exert yourselves!!

The International Settlement
Tramway Employees' Club"

12/2/1927.

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Translation of a handbill seized at
No.338 Yi Ling Lee (2562), Yuling Road,
the offices of the Shanghai Tramway
Co., Employees' Union, on Feb. 10, 1927.

Labourers:

As a result of our unity during the recent strike, we won victory. Pending the holding of a general meeting, we desire to place the following points before our fellow workers;

1. At the time of the settlement of our strike, the offices of our union at Pingliang Road were condemned by the Police because the supervisory headquarters of the Bus employees were located in the same address. We then secured larger premises at No.338 Yi Ling Li (2562), Yulin Road, Yangtszepoo. A branch of this offices will be opened later in Bubbling Well.
2. The workers believe that the interests of the mechanical and traffic groups are not identical, and that they should be divided into the Bubbling Well Group and Yangtszepoo Group. This would be a mistake. We must unite into one solid body and work conjointly for the welfare of all workers. Divisions amongst ourselves must be discouraged.
3. Dear friends who hold the rank of inspector ! We are brethren and all suffer under British oppression. We all are labourers and we have common interests. You are therefore requested to join our club and co-operate with us in the interests of our welfare.
4. A minority of our fellow workers has not joined the club. They are therefore requested, as soon as they have read this circular, to come to the offices of the Union and fill in application.

The International Settlement Tramway
Employees' Club ----- January 31.

Translation of a handbill seized at No. 338
Yi Ling Li (英齡里), Yulin Road, the offices
of the Shanghai Tramway Co. Employees' Union,
on February 10, 1927.

February 7th Anniversary.

Brief story of the February 7th incident.

February 7th is the day of commemoration of the shedding of blood of the Peking-Hankow Railway workers who resisted Wu Pei Fu (吳佩孚). It was on February 1 of 1923 when the General Union of the Peking-Hankow Railway Workers held its inaugural meeting in Chenchow that the cruel Wu Pei Fu suddenly proclaimed Martial Law and oppressed the workers in every way possible. The workers however were not daunted, and passed a resolution at the meeting to call a general strike as a protest against Wu Pei Fu's action. On February 7 when the workers had already been on strike for four days, Wu Pei Fu ordered his "Claws" (subordinates) to slaughter workers. Workers were also murdered by Wu's men at places other than Chenchow. It is calculated that 44 workers were killed and several hundred others wounded. This was the first time that workers fought desperately with the militarists.

February 7th was the day when workers commenced to struggle for liberty.

Prior to February 7 the Chinese workers were not yet awakened. On February 7 ~~xxx~~ workers began to struggle for the right of organizing unions. Since then the workers have organized more labour unions day after day. Although the workers have now struggled for several years, labour unions can not be publicly opened in many places. Therefore we must continue the February 7th spirit and resist our enemies, the Imperialists and Militarists.

February 7th is an important factor in the Revolutionary Movement.

The revolutionary spirit and strength of the labouring classes was not recognized until the bloodshed on February 7. Since then our countrymen recognize the labouring classes as leaders in the Revolutionary movement. In the May 30th tragedy, workers also acted as leaders. Workers, therefore, should re-

double their efforts and continue to act as leaders in all movements.

Advice to workers after the February 7th movement.

In the February 7th movement, a great number of workers were killed, labour unions were closed, and numerous persons were thrown out of employment. However, only one year after February 7th, the National General Labour Union of Railway Employees came into existence. Due to the efforts of workers throughout the country to resist him, Wu Pei Fu will now soon perish. Therefore, no matter how strong our enemies are, we will overthrow them if every one of our workers will use his best exertions. We must bear in mind that only by incessant struggle can we win the final victory. We cannot avoid temporary failures, and let us not be discouraged in anyway.

How to commemorate the February 7th Anniversary?

A worthwhile commemoration of the February 7 movement is that we should unite more closely and re-double our efforts in the struggle. If on this particular occasion we merely conduct a memorial meeting but fail to continue the February 7th spirit and to struggle for our rights, it is not a commemoration.

Our slogans are as the following:

Continue the Feb. 7 spirit!

Overthrow the **brutal** Wu Pei Fu!

Oppose the ~~xx~~ killing of our countrymen by Britishers in Hankow!

Long live the spirits of the martyrs in the Feb. 7 movement!

A great day for workers is February 7!

Labourers constitute the vanguards of the revolutionary forces!

(Chopped) The Shanghai General Labour Union. 3/2/27.

Translation of a cartoon seized at No.
338 Yi Ling Li (老利), Yulin Road, the
offices of the Shanghai Tramway
Employees' Union on February 10, 1927.

It depicts a number of foreign soldiers under
a British flag shooting dead a large crowd of
Chinese people at Shameen. It also bears the
following inscriptions:

"Don't forget the Shameen Tragedy".

"Oppose the "White Terror"!"

"Let us hurry to the rescue of the vanguards
of the Revolutionary Group !"

"The Chinese Relief Society is soliciting members !"

Summary translation of a circular letter seized at 338 Yi Ling Li (延齡里), Yulin Road, the offices of the Shanghai Tramway Co. Employees' Union, on Feb. 10, 1927.

Dated 31-1-27.

To Committees of the Shanghai Tramway Co. Employees' Club.

We beg to inform you that a social meeting will take place at 6 p.m. on the 4th day of the Chinese New Year (February 5, 1927), at No. 338 Yi Ling Li (延齡里), Yulin Road, for the purpose of celebrating our organization.

All members of the committee of the unions which belong to the Federation of Waterworks, Electrical and Postal Employees, are invited to attend the meeting.

(Chopped) The Federation of Waterworks,
Electrical, and Postal Employees.

Translation of seven handbills seized
at No.338 Yi Ling Li (延龄里), Yulin
Road, the offices of the Shanghai
Tramway Employees' Union, on 10/2/1927.

1. Long Live the Martyrs who sacrificed their lives
for Revolution.

S Yang (杨洋), Ling Kiang Chien (林祥谦), Liu Hwa
(刘华) and Tau Ching Hsien (陶静轩) have all died
for revolution. What shall we do then? We must
continue their revolutionary work.

*original handed to General Li
by hcs*

2. Overthrow Wu Pei Fu

Wu Pei Fu is the murderer of our labourers. He has
been expelled from Hupeh by us, labourers. But we
have to proceed further; we must beat him down!

3. All local labourers should join the Union

Labour Union is workers' fortification. All labourers
should organize unions and join them.

4. The Chinese workers are the vanguards of the
Citizens' Revolution.

February 7 is the date when the workers began to
carry out the citizens' revolutionary movement.
This proves that the Chinese workers are the vanguards
of the Citizens' Revolution. Get up! Get up!
Let us unite and rush forward!

5.

The spirit of the February 7 Incident Victims
will never die

The victims of the February 7 Incident are several tens of workers including one named S Yang (施昂) and another called Ling Ziang Chien (林祥谦) who were not afraid of being killed while struggling against militarists. Labourers of Shanghai ! Let us maintain the spirit which animated the men who died on February 7!

Maintain the spirit of February 7

February 7 is the anniversary of the first battle waged by the Chinese workers against the most wicked militarists when the ~~former~~ ~~men~~ shed their blood. February 7 marks the commencement of the Revolution in China. "Feb. 7" has awakened the Chinese labourers from their dream. "Feb. 7" is indeed a great day ! Let us continue our advance with the same spirit that inspired on "February 7"

Denounce the British Imperialists for Hankow
Slaughter

The robber-like British Imperialists have again killed our brethren at Hankow. Get united, all you workers in Shanghai and oppose the murderous British Imperialists !

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J. C. ~~7570~~

Translation of a handbill seized at No. 338 Yi Ling Li
(~~亞歷利~~) Yulin Road, the offices of the Shanghai
Tramway Co. Employees' Union, on February 10, 1927.

16/2/27.

An Advice to Workers on the February 7th
Anniversary.

Labourers,

February 7th is the workers' great memorial day.
On this date workers fought for the first time against
militarists and imperialists, and over forty of our brave
workers were killed.

As Imperialists and Militarists have not yet been
overthrown, we must continue the spirit of the February 7th
movement and attack the Imperialists and Militarists until the
final victory is won.

Long live the spirit of the February 7th Movement!
Continue the struggle of the February 7th!

Shanghai General Labour Union.

Original handed over to Gen L.

Translation of a handbill seized at No.338
Yi Ling Li (怡寧里), Yulin Road, the offices
of the Shanghai Tramway Employees' Union
on February 10, 1927.

Outline of propaganda work during
New Year Holidays.

(1) The social meeting which will be held during New Year Holidays is convened entirely for the amusement of workers. Nevertheless at the same time, we should avail ourselves of this opportunity to carry out our political propaganda among the workers in an optimistic and rejoicing manner.

(2) During our speeches, we should concentrate upon the following eight hints:-

- a/ To effect the rendition of the Settlement to China in a peaceful way.
- B/ To support the citizens' government and to effect the pro-labour and peasant movement.
- c/ To try to get the Union open to public.
- d/ To prevent reactionary movement among workers.
- e/ To improve labour conditions.
- f/ To raise the social standard of labourers.
- g/ To introduce modern civilization to labour circles.
- h/ To strengthen our Union.

The Shanghai General Labour Union

Translation of a New Year Card sent
by the Shanghai General Labour Union,
which was seized at No.338 Yi Ling
Li (延齡里), Yulin Road, the offices
of the Tramway Employees' Union on 10/2/1927.

- A. Wish you a Happy New Year and Hoping you will
exert yourselves to the utmost !

The Shanghai General Labour Union.

- B. Labourers:

One year has passed, and New Year has come.
Time passes swiftly, and therefore we should also
perform our work in a swift manner. From to-day,
all of us should redouble our efforts in carrying on
the work of our Union, and extending the influence
of the Union. We should continue our advance, and
renew our struggle for the benefit and welfare of
the proletariat. Let all workers of Shanghai
unite, and the final victory is surely ours.

Translation of a cartoon seized at No.
338 Yi Ling Li (444), Yulin Road, the
offices of the Shanghai Tramway
Employees' Union on February 10, 1927.

Printed by the Chinese Relief Society.

Our compatriot will be killed !

Let us rescue him at once !

Translation of a cartoon seized at No.
338 Yi Ling Li (怡寧里), Yulin Road, the
offices of the Shanghai Tramway
Employees' Union on February 10, 1927.

Printed by the Chinese Relief Society.

Overthrow the ruthless Japanese Imperialists !

Unite the oppressed Korean and Chinese races !

This cartoon depicts a Korean woman whose two hands
were cut off by Japanese policemen.

(Forwarded with Intelligence Report of 6/12/1926.)

Extract from Intelligence Report dated

February 8, 1927.

The following is a translation of a handbill which was distributed among employees of the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co. on February 7 :-

"Fellow workers :

"As a result of our unity during the recent strike, we won victory. Pending the holding of a general meeting, we desire to place the following points before our fellow workers :

"(1) At the time of the settlement of our strike, the offices of our union at Pingliang Road were condemned by the Police because the Supervisory Headquarters of the Bus employees were located in the same address. We then secured larger premises at No. 338 Yi Ling Li (), Yulin Road, Yangtszepoo. A branch of this office will be opened later in Bubbling Well.

"(2) The workers believe that the interests of the mechanical and traffic groups are not identical, and that they should be divided into the Bubbling Well Group and Yangtszepoo Group. This would be a mistake. We must unite into one solid body and work conjointly for the welfare of all workers. Divisions amongst ourselves must be discouraged.

"(3) Dear friends who hold the rank of inspector ! We are brethren and all suffer under British oppression. We all are labourers and we have common interests. You are therefore requested to join our club and co-operate with us in the interests of our welfare.

"(4) A minority of our fellow workers has not joined the Club. They are therefore requested, as soon as they have read this circular, to come to the offices of the Union and fill in applications.

The International Settlement Tramway Employees' Club.
January 31.



POLICE FORCE.
(COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.)

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Shanghai Municipal Council.

January 23. 19 27.

D. C. I.

Of course it is very easy to be wise after an event but it was a mistake for the Police to acquiesce in the running of trams on the streets except for the benefit of the public. In any case, immediately it was known that these cars carried banners, pamphlets and fire-crackers the procession should have been stopped without any instructions from Headquarters.

Em. Barch.

Commissioner of Police.

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Shanghai Municipal Police.

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Intelligence Office.

Station

January

24,

1927

REPORT ON Telephonic communication sent to Wayside Station
on January 22.

Made by D.S.I. Robertson

Forwarded by

J. H. Guiness G. D. I.

Sir,

In reference to my telephonic communication to Wayside Station at 1 p.m. on January 22, I beg to state that as near as I can remember the message ran as follows:
"According to the Manager of the Tramway Company the
"strike is settled. It has been arranged that two cars
"containing a few persons will leave the Wayside Depot
"at 2 p.m. and follow a circular route thereby informing
"the public that the strike is over. The other cars
"will leave the depot later following the various other
"routes and in this way the full service will be resumed.
"They will probably fire off a ~~few~~ crackers inside the
"depot before they start. I am phoning you so that
"you will know what is happening."

No mention whatever was made by me of 10 cars leaving the depot at 4.30 p.m. or of any demonstration or procession.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. S. I. Robertson
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REPORT ON Efforts made to settle strike of the Shanghai Tramway
Co. Employees.

Made by D.S.I. Robertson Forwarded by

J. G. Wiers B. S. I.

Sir,

On January 19 the written proposals to certain written demands made by the strikers to the management of the Shanghai Tramway Co. were presented by Mr. Burgess, General Manager, to a deputation of eight men, representing the strikers, who promised to convey the said proposals to a meeting of the employees which was to be held on a piece of vacant ground at Baikal and Thorburn Roads corner at 3 p.m. on January 20. After the meeting on January 20, the deputation called at the residence of Mr. Yu Yan Ching, ex-Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and asked him to intervene on behalf of the strikers. Yu Yan Ching on the same evening interviewed Mr. Burgess and at the end of the consultation definitely promised that the men had accepted the proposals and would resume work on the morning of January 21. Contrary to expectation no resumption of work was even attempted on January 21. Another meeting was held by the strikers at 3 p.m. on January 21 on the scene of the meeting on January 20, and again the deputation of eight men visited Mr. Yu Yan Ching requesting him to interview Mr. Burgess which he did remaining in confab with him from 5.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. after which he retired to his home accompanied by Mr. Low Che Chung (陸孝春), Chief Cashier of the said company and the deputation of eight where the terms of settlement; i.e. the proposals drawn up by Mr. Burgess with a few minor alterations, were signed and upon which it was agreed that the strikers would resume work at 11 a.m. on January 22. Notwithstanding the written pledge

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given by their representatives on the previous evening no resumption took place at 11 a.m. on January 22 and no excuse was forwarded to explain the breach of faith.

Acting on instructions I interviewed Mr. Burgess at 12.15 p.m. January 22 and informed him that Tu Vee Van (涂维席), Chief Adjutant to General Li Iau Chang, had offered to mediate in the dispute and talk to the men with a view to persuading them to return to work. This proposal was very promptly disapproved of by Mr. Low Che Chung who was present and who stated that he had just made arrangements for two cars to leave Wayside Depot at 2 p.m. on a circular tour of the Settlement conveying some of the men who would probably fire off crackers at the commencement of the journey. He further stated that the remainder of the cars would gradually leave the depot and in this manner the service would be resumed. No mention was made by Mr. Low of any intended demonstration or the carrying of flags. The main idea of the two cars going out was explained by him as a means of informing the public that the strike was over.

As no sign of resumption was obvious at 3 p.m. Tu Vee Van (涂维席) and Wei Chung Sieu (韋鍾秀), Chief Detective of the Woosung-Shanghai Constabulary, saw Mr. Burgess who courteously declined their services but promised to provide the names of all agitators who came to his notice on the completion of inquiries by certain of his staff.

About 4.50 p.m. a procession of 10 tramcars with

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trailers filled with strikers and their sympathizers carrying banners and small flags left the Wayside Depot and proceeded West towards Broadway. The procession continued along the Bund eventually coming into open conflict with the Police at Nanking and Honan Road corners where the cars were stopped and the occupants dispersed after withstanding a baton charge. Seven men were arrested and later released. Among the things discarded by the mob were eight banners each bearing the name of a Labour Union in the Yangtszepoo or Wayside Districts.

On the morning of January 23 the strikers turned up at the Wayside and Publing Well Depots and intimated their willingness to resume work. A limited service of cars was put into operation at 6.30 a.m. and it is expected that it will be gradually increased until the full service is operating which is expected about 10 a.m.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Robertson

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FROM THE POLICE FORCE,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
Intelligence Office STATION.
C. I. D.

To D. C. I.

Shanghai, January 25, 1927.

i/c C. I. D.

Sir,

I beg to forward the attached Chinese translation of demands of workers and offers by the Company in connection with the strike of the employees of the Shanghai Tramway Co., as requested by Tu Vee Van (徐維藩), Chief Adjutant to General Li Pau Chang on January 22, 1927.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Robertson
—D. C. I.

Forwarded
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Shanghai Municipal Police.

Intelligence Office, Central Station

January 25, 1927.

REPORT ON Strike of employees of the Shanghai Tramway Company.

Made by D. S. I. Robertson.

Forwarded by

W. G. W. G. W.

Sir,

I beg to forward herewith two lists of names and addresses of the ^{alleged} most prominent agitators who reside in Chinese territory and in the Settlement. These lists were given to me by Mr. Burgess.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

D. S. I. Robertson

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List of Names and Addresses of Those Who
Reside in Chinese Territory.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
326	Wu Chao Sun (伍巧生)	84 Tsing Ying(清盈里) Li, Jiu Chong Ka(舊倉街), West of the Old North Gate(老北門), Chinese territory.
267	Wu Kwung Wen (胡坤文)	36 Hsueh Yi Li(學義里), Da Toong Road(大統路), Chanai.
290 (Driver)	Hsu Tau Yui (徐道餘)	An unnumbered house, second door(a straw hut?), next to the Foh Way Li(福雁里), Woo Ka Moh Jau(吳家木橋), Chanai.
36	Wong Tsung Shu (王振壽)	240 Kiang Pien Wharf(江邊碼頭), Kiangnan Arsenal(高昌廟).
38	Yui Fu Sung (余福生)	42 Cong Ka Sah(翁家柵), Kiangnan Arsenal(高昌廟).
76	Chiang Tsai Fu (姜彩富)	35 Siao Poctco Jiao(小普渡橋), Small South Gate(小南門), Chinese City. X (This man was removed to Hospital on Jan. 22, 1927).
698	Han Jien Foo (韓德富)	375 Tai Ping Li(太平里), Sing Ming Road(新民路), Chapei.

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290 (Driver)	Hsu Tau Yui (徐迺余)	An unnumbered house, second door(a straw hut?), next to the Foh Way Li(福淮里), Woo Ka Moh Jau(吴家木桥), Chapei.
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List of Names and Addresses of Those Who
Reside in the Settlement.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
6	Wong Yoong Shing (王榮興)	13 Markham Road.
227	Chang Siao Fong (張小方)	66 Tai Woo Li (泰和里), Yangtszepoo Rd.
590	Chun Chi Fah (鍾繼芳)	89 Tai Woo Ka (泰和街), Yangtszepoo Rd.
74	Wong Yu Wai (王有為)	126 Tai Wei Fong (泰威坊), Haroon Road.
255	Nyi Chi Tsong (嚴志章)	An unnumbered house on MacGregor Road North of Waiyide Road (?)
383	Fong Siew Yen (方秀岩)	No. 288, 1st house of the 1st Lane, Pau Chen Li (寶仁里), Yuenfong Road.
351	Chang Yu Chen (張有仁)	No. 2349 Fu Hwa Li (輔華里), East Wuhang Road.

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

Translation of a letter from the Workers' Union of the Tramway Co. of the International Settlement.

January 22, 1927.
(Received 24-1-27).

Commissioner of Police Barrett,
Municipal Council,
Foochow Road.

Sir,

After we and the Company signed the conditions for the resumption of duty ^{today}, ~~we~~ decided to run some tram cars through the different roads as an expression of resumption of duty. When these tram cars came to the vicinity of Pau Chiu Tsang (corner of Nanking and Honan Roads), the electric current suddenly stopped with the result that those cars could not proceed any longer, and the armed policemen of your Station attacked us without a reasonable cause resulting in several tens of our workers being wounded and arrested. In the interests of peace we restrained ourselves from beginning to ~~the~~ end and at once repaired to our homes. The Company and the Police are responsible for this unfortunate incident.

Apart from requesting the Tramway Company to compensate the wounded and to communicate with you with a view to effecting the release of those workers arrested as a condition for the resumption of duty, we have to write this for your information in the hope that you will set the workers arrested free, so that communication may be restored at an early date and the ill feeling of our countrymen against the Police may not be enhanced.

It couldn't be "

(Chopped) The seal of the Workers' Union of the Tramway Co. of the International Settlement.

They were released the same night
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Translation of a letter picked up in the door way by one of the Headquarters coolies, from the Strike Committee of the Workers' Union of the Tramway Co. of the International Settlement.

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Commissioner of Police,
Municipal Council.

Sir,

We thank you heartily for the protection you have afforded us during our present strike which has lasted several days and we can assure you that no disorderly and improper deeds will be attempted.

Our negotiations with the management of the Co. have come to a stand still on account of the elusive manner of the management who do not give the workers' delegates the least chance to set forth their grievances and who have practically refused all the demands submitted by the workers except the one for an increase of pay, even in the latter case only \$1.00 (to each man) being agreed to, and rejected mediators. It is, however, to be noted that the longer the strike lasts the greater will be the losses and inconvenience that the workers and the community will sustain. It is therefore sincerely hoped that you will take our privations into consideration by requesting the management of the company to resume negotiations without delay with the workers' delegates, for the workers have no desire to prolong the strike inasmuch as their demands can be satisfactorily met with.

The Strike Committee of the Workers'
Union of the Tramway Co. of the
International Settlement.

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To Inspector i/c Yangtsepoo Police Station:

We, tranway employees, went on strike with a view to improving our livelihood with the assistance of the management and our demands are nothing but financial betterment. If the management concede to our demands, we are all prepared to resume work immediately. We will pay particular attention to the peace of the district and hope you will mediate for us and also give us protection. We are sending a representative to you in order that negotiations can be made.

(Chopped) The Shanghai International Settlement Tranway Employees Union.

Union address: 204 Zung Woo Li,
Pingliang Road.

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POLICE FORCE.
(COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.)

Shanghai Municipal Council.

January 12, 1927.

Commissioner of Police.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Tramway Company

Mr. Fu Siao-en states that a number of Tramway Company employes called to see him yesterday but he refused to see them. As however they called again this morning he received them and they presented him with two sets of demands from

1. motormen and conductors, and
2. workshop staff

Mr. Fu did not give them any answer and put them off with a reply that he would look into the matter. I got into touch with Mr. Burgess and he will probably call and see Mr. Fu on the matter tomorrow morning.

Deputy Commissioner of Police.

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Extract from the Intelligence Report
January 30, 1927.

Arrangements made by employees of the Shanghai
Electrical Construction Co., to hold meetings in the
Nanyang Bros. Employees' Club, No. 22 Chacoufoong Road
on January 29th were cancelled because the members of
the club refused to lend their premises. The following
is a translation of the notice convening the proposed
meeting:-

"Confidential

"A general meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. for
"day shift workers and at 12 m.n. for night shift
"workers on the 29th (Saturday) at No. 22 Chacoufoong
"Road, the offices of the Nanyang Bros. Employees'
"Club. You are invited to attend the meeting at
"the appointed time. Handbills containing all
"conditions of our "victory" will be distributed
"among those present.

"The Shanghai Tramway Co.,
Employees' Union."

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January 29,

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REPORT ON Meetings of Tramway Employees.

Made by C.D. I. Givens. Forwarded by _____

Sir,

The following is a translation of a handbill which was handed to the Police by the Shanghai Tramway Co., on January 29, 1927:-

"Confidential

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"A General meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. for "day shift workers and at 12 m.n. for night shift workers on "29th (Saturday) at No. 22 Chaoufoong Road, the offices of "the Nanyang Bros, Employees' Club. You are invited to attend "the meeting at the appointed time. Handbills containing all "conditions of our "victory" will be distributed among those "present.

"The Shanghai Tramway Co. Employees' Union."

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. D. I.

*Done
29/1/27.*

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According to a note book seized during a search at the Shanghai Tramway Co., Employees' Union, No. 204 Pingliang Road, on January 23, 1927, the recent strike in the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co., was directed by a committee consisting of the following persons :-

Fong Sieu Yai (方秀岩);

Wu Guin Wen (胡坤文);

Kyi Zung Fu (倪仁南);

Wang Sz Tai (王如太);
No. 301

Wu King Pao (吴金寶);
No. 113

Chu Bei Yao (朱佩瑶);
No. 39

Kiang Sz Mong (江如蒙);
No. 693

Wang Tse Woo (王為和);
No. 64

Chow Lien Sing (周連信);

Chow Ah Sai (周阿三);

Chen Ah Hwa (陈阿華);

Chen Ping Ziang (陈炳祥);

Woo Pih Sing (伍必信)

Loh Choh Sung (陆菊生)

Hsu Ah Foh (许阿福)(no.290)

Sung Ying Wo (沈英和);
No. 112

Yoh Yung Chien (邵云泉);
No. 188

Wang Yue Wei (王有為);
No. 74

Hsu Ah Teh (许阿德);
No. 643

Fong Tong Zai (冯东才);
No. 120

Tsong Chi Tsing (钟继清)

Chen Ah Ming (陈阿明)

Chen Choh Sung (陈菊生)

Extract from Daily Report of January
25, 1927.

The strike in the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co., which began on January 17 and 18 was settled on January 24, 1927, and normal conditions are now being rapidly restored. This dispute affected 1,300 motormen and conductors and 462 trades-men. The conditions on which the strike was settled are not yet available, but it is believed that almost all the demands of the employees were granted.

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REPORT ON Strike situation in Wayside District.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

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Sir,

I beg to report that at 8.30 A.M., today 8 Trams were sent out on No 8 & 9 routes running from the Tramway Depot on Yangtsepo Road to Avenue Eduard VII and back. At 3.30 P.M., 12 more cars were sent out to run on No 6 & 7 routes, to Railway Station; All the cars were run without any untoward incident being reported at this station, and it is reported that the general tram service will be resumed in full on the 25/1/27.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently

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January 24th,

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Further **REPORT ON** Strike at the Shanghai Tramway Coy., 120, Whashing Road.

Made by D. S. Telfer.

Forwarded by

Mr. Gibson

Sir:

I beg to report the 400 employees at above address who went on strike on January 17th, 1927 resumed work, on the conditions granted by the Shanghai Tramway Coy, at 9 a.m. on January 24th, 1927.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently

Alexander Telfer

D. S.

[Signature]
D. C. I.

[Handwritten mark]

Extracts from Intelligence Report dated January 24, 1927. (J. 67583)

The employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., returned to work this morning, January 24, 1927, and the tram service has already been partially resumed.

About 200 drivers and motormen of the Shanghai Tramway Co., held a meeting on a piece of vacant ground at the corner of Pingliang and Whashing Roads between 11.45 a.m. and 12 noon, January 23, 1927. Chen Ding Kwei (陳定桂), a representative of the Shanghai General Labour Union, presided. Mr. Loh Chi Chun (陸季春), Comptroller of the Company, who was also present, explained to the audience that the conflict with the Police on January 22 resulted from a misunderstanding and urged that work be resumed in accordance with the original arrangement. He further stated that all the persons arrested had been released and the company had agreed to pay medical expenses of those who sustained injuries. The attendance who seemed to be satisfied passed resolution in favour of resuming work at 1.30 p.m. January 23, 1927. They however did not give effect to this decision until the morning of January 24.

It is reported that, at a meeting held by about twenty ex-workers of Japanese cotton mills at No. 35 Foh Sing Li (福生里), Hokanshan Road, between 7 a.m. and 8.10 a.m. January 23, the following resolutions were discussed and passed :-

1. That the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs be urged to request the S.M.C. to release the employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., who were arrested during the disturbance on Nanking Road, on January 22, and to pay compensation to those who were wounded.
2. That representatives be appointed to convey the sympathy of the mill workers to the employees of the Tramway Co., who were wounded in the affray on Nanking Road.
3. That a declaration be issued, informing the public of the

brutal measures adopted by the British when dealing with Chinese.

4. That a telegram be despatched to General Chiang Kai Shek urging him to accelerate the movement of his armies towards Shanghai, and seize the Settlement as soon as he arrives here.

The meeting was presided over by Chang Tso Chen (張佐臣), a member of the Shanghai General Labour Union.

Strikers attacked a stationary bus at the corner of Whasling and Yangtszepoo Road at 1.30 p.m. January 23, 1927, and after damaging the vehicle, kidnapped the driver. The driver was later found in the offices of the Shanghai Tramway Company's Employees' Union, 204 Pingliang Road, by Police from Yangtszepoo Station and restored to liberty. A raid made later by Police from Yangtszepoo Station on this union resulted in the arrest of three Chinese and the seizure of some papers and documents which are now being examined.

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Translation of a handbill distributed among
tramway strikers in the Wayside District on
January 22, 1927.

An order to Resume Work.

It is six days since we struck work, but as we
have struggled unitedly the victory is ours,
Yesterday, our representatives Compradore Loh and
mediator Yu Yeh Ching, after a discussion, reached
an agreement consisting of 21 articles which they
signed. In order to show our respect for the
mediator and our eagerness to resume normal
conditions, we have decided to resume work this
afternoon when we shall first proceed in cars,
specially taken out for this purpose, to
demonstrate our success, after which work will
be resumed. We should all become firmly united, support
our labour union and exert our efforts to struggle for
our emancipation.

Long live the victory of strike !
Long live the Unification of Workers !
Long Live the Tramway Employees' Labour
Union !

Strike Committee of the
Shanghai Settlement Tramway
Employees' Union, 22/1/1927.

Translation of a handbill distributed among
tramway strikers in the Wayside District on
January 22, 1927.

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Manifesto on Resumption of Work

Being unable to maintain our livelihood and
endure unreasonable oppression, we, all workers of the
Shanghai Electric Construction Co., struck work.
Despite the fact that we have twice entered into
negotiations with the Company, no satisfactory reply
has, so far, been received to our demand. In view
of much inconvenience experienced by the public, we,
although our objects have not been fully attained,
are willing to make concessions in order that the
service may be resumed at an early date. We have
therefore, signed an agreement with the Company, and
returned to our duties. We should, however, bear in
mind that we won this dispute only because we have
organized a labour union. Consequently we advocate
that labour unions should partake in any labour movement
and thereby such means to strengthen the labour cause.
Thus victory will always be ours. We also feel
grateful for the mediation of Mr. Yu Yui Ching
(虞 1/24/27) and assistance rendered by the various labour
unions. We should realize that labour unions, when
and only when supported by all workers and helped by
brethren of various circles will gain in their victories.

Shanghai Settlement Tramway
Employees' Labour Union,
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Yangtszepoo Station.

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Further **REPORT ON** The International Settlement Tramway Coy's Union,
204, Pingliang Road.

Made by D. S. Telfer

Forwarded by *Mr. J. R. 24/1/27*

Sir:

I beg to report about 1:45 p.m. on January 23rd, 1927 C.P.C. 468, who was on post duty at Thorburn Road and Yangtszepoo Road corner, came to the station and reported that about 1:30 p.m. an omnibus had been attacked by whom he thought strikers, and was stationary at Whashing Road and Yangtszepoo Road corner. The driver had been taken away by the Chinese who had stopped the bus, but the conductor had managed to escape, and had run towards Wayside District.

Inspector Robertson with all available men at the station and C.D.C. 76 Dzung Ming Tuh and the undersigned immediately went to the place aforementioned. On arrival, the bus was on the North side of Yangtszepoo Road and about 15 yards East of Whashing Road. The rear wheel was on the footpath and the omnibus had been stopped a few inches from an electric pole. Practically all the windows had been smashed by stones.

Realising that the "International Settlement Tramway Coy's Union", 204 Pingliang Road was about 5 minutes walk from the scene where the above incident happened, we immediately proceeded there to see if the driver of the Omnibus could be found. On going into the room on the East side on the second floor about 30 employees of the Omnibus Company were sitting on forms, and one was sitting at a desk taking names. However, after a great deal of persuasion the driver, who had been taken away was discovered. It was quite apparent he was afraid to say anything and possibly this was owing to the rough handling he had gone through and threats made by the various members who had forced

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him to go this Union. He was escorted to the bus in Yangtszepoo Road by Trooper Watson and C.D.C. 76 Dzung Ming Tuh. Some of the Chinese who were standing round it were asked to come and assist in pushing it on to the roadway, but they refused and an antagonistic spirit was obvious even among the casual native spectators. However, the driver eventually got the motor going, and it was driven by him to Yangtszepoo Station, under the above escort from where it was later taken away by a representative of the Omnibus Company to the sheds at Connaught Road.

The Police representatives did not attempt to chase any of the Omnibus Coy's employees from the Union at 204 Pingliang Road, but diplomatically left as if no further action was going to be taken. On returning to the station about 2:45 p.m. Mr. Baker, A.C.P.(F) (Duty Officer) was informed re circumstances of the above incident, and asked if we could have permission to raid the place, and take away all matter connected with it. After he had communication with the Commissioner Capt. E.I.M. Barret, permission was granted, and the special riot squad with the "Duty Officer" came to the station about 3:30 p.m.

About 3:40 p.m., after giving Mr. Baker a general idea of where the Union was, all available men from the station and the special riot squad immediately proceeded to 204 Pingliang Road. On getting there, no time was wasted in surrounding the place, and about 40 men mostly Omnibus employees and a few Tramway worker were searched. Cap badges were taken from their caps,

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but some were in civilian clothes. Attached is a list of badges taken away. A Foreign representative from the Omnibus Coy. has already had the badges handed over to him. Some were taken by the Police with the express purpose of assisting the various concerns of exposing possibly leading union members, and they could take whatever action they thought as regards dismissing them.

Three men named Thauung Kyung Siang (湯錦湘) Zi Tseng Kwei (徐振桂) and Tsang Shing Long (張興隆) were brought to station for interrogation as they looked likely persons for information. The first mentioned admitted he was an ex employee of the Tramway Coy. and had been dismissed on September 1926 for squeezing. He had in his possession a book with all particulars of the members of the "International Settlement Tramway Labour Union" and also forms of dismissed men who had joined the Union with the sole purpose of it assisting them in being reinstated. Attached is a list given by him of the leading members in the committee in the aforementioned organisation. The second named could not give any leading members' names, but admitted he was an ex Tramway employee and had come to the Union for them to assist in getting him back to his old job. The third person stated he was an oiler in the Omnibus Coy., and had come to 204, Pingliang Road to listen to a general discussion with others re demands for an increase and better conditions from their employees. He admitted that the workers of the latter concern formed a Union three days ago and for the time being were making the above latter address their

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headquarters. Attached is particulars regarding the above three.

Before the remainder of the persons were dispersed they were advised not to hold any further meetings or organize unions in the Settlement, as the Police with the assistance of the Chinese Authorities were going to take stringent measures to eradicate all.

A Police guard was kept on 204, Pingliang Road, and Mr. E.T. Maitland, Police Prosecutor, advised re the circumstances. After consideration he thought it was not necessary to take any action at court re the house owner, but a severe caution be given to him. About 8 p.m. Yih Yoch Ding (葉月庭) residing at 56 Hong Sung Li alleyway (馬路里), Muirhead Road, owner of the house came to the station, and as per instructions a strong caution was given to him, and advised to inform other owners the serious outlook the Police had re Unions. He was permitted to lock his house up at about 9 p.m. and the Police guard was withdrawn.

Attached are two voluntary statements made by Zung Yuen Pao (陳元保), driver, and Hwo Yu Ching (花玉卿) conductor of the bus which was attacked, also herewith are numbers of those who were found in the above address. All matter taken away by the Police will be handed to ^{the} Intelligence Office on January 24th, 1927.

From the light handed policy in the past re unions, the ous attack incident is an exposition of what eventually matures and materialises in them, which no doubt, is being encouraged

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by an extreme force bend on disorganisation for its own purpose.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Alexander Teyez
D. S.

MS
D. C. I.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT OF POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

The following is the statement of Zung Yuen Pao, 29,
native of Hupei taken by me D.S. Telfer
at 3 p.m. on the Jan. 23, 1927 and interpreted by Interpreter Kung

About 11 a.m. on Jan. 23, 1927, the bus No.31, of which I am driver, left the St. Georges. When I was proceeding West to East along Yangtszepoo Road, near the Whashing Road, about 10 men of the coolie type, possibly in the employ of the Tramway Co., lined across the roadway and shouted to me to stop. As soon as I drew up the bus, about 4 men came up and caught hold of my woollen scarf and dragged me off the bus. They then struck me with fists, caught hold of my arms and forced me to go with them along Whashing Road. They took me to a house No.204 Pingliang Road, where I saw about 30 or 40 men, consisting of omnibus and tramway employees. I was told to sit down and then about 5 men asked me if I knew that there was a strike amongst the omnibus drivers. I told them that I drove the bus by order of the Company, whereupon they told me that if I was again seen driving a bus, I would be assaulted. I asked them if they would allow me to go, but they told me to wait. After 1½ hours later, Policemen came to the place and asked me what had happened. I, accompanied by Police, then returned to Yangtszepoo and Whashing Roads, where I found the window glass of the bus had been smashed. I then drove the bus to the Police Station.

(Sd) Zung Yuen Pao

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT OF POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

The following is the statement of Hwo Yu Ching, 22,
native of Chingkiang taken by me D.S. Telfer
at 5 p.m. on the Jan. 23, 1927 and interpreted by Interpreter Kung

I am omnibus conductor No. 57. About 1 p.m. on Jan. 23, 1927, when the bus was proceeding West to East along Yangtszepoo Road, near Whashing Road, I saw a crowd of coolies, in the employ of the Tramway Co. standing on Yangtszepoo Road. They started to throw stones at the bus whereupon all the passengers became afraid and left the bus. I also got off the bus, but was immediately set upon by about 20 men, who threw me on the roadway and struck me with fists. They attempted to force me to go with them along Whashing Road, but I managed to escape from them. During the fight, I lost a quantity of coppers and tickets. I then called a ricscha and travelled to wayside where I made a report to a route inspector.

Hwo Yu Ching
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Omnibus Company's employees badges which were taken from their caps, and who were at 204 Pingliang Road at time of raid.

Conductors' Badges Nos. 51, 25, and 133.

Regulator's Badge No. 2.

Drivers' Badges Nos. 145, 69, 44, 16 and 66.

above badges were handed over to a Foreign representative shortly after raid.

Omnibus conductor No. 93 and driver No. 63 were at above address.

A list was found in possession of Regulator No. 2 off the Omnibus Company, who stated that same was the No. of the employees of the Tramway Company injured in riot on Nanking Road on January 22nd, 1927.

Conductors Nos. 44, 246, 365, 362, 212, 391 and 484.

Name	Address	Employment.
Thaung Kyung Siang 湯 錦 湘	60 Chusan Li alleyway of Chusan Road	Shrof (ex employee of Tramway Coy.)
Tsang Shing Long 張 興 隆	41 Thorburn Road	Oiler of Omnibus Coy.
Zi Tseng Kwei 徐 振 桂	979 Chaotung Road Chapei 交通路(開北)	Hawker (ex employee of Tramway Coy.)

Information re leaders in the "International Settlement Tramway Company's Union" got from
 Thaung Kyung Siang (湯錦相) living at 60
 Chusan Li alleyway (舟山里) of Chusan Road.

Tramway employees No.	Name	Address
253	Loh Chok Sung (陸菊生)	S Vung Li alleyway (斯文里) of Ward Road.
227	Nyi Dzung Foo (倪成富)	Unknown
267	Wo Kwan Yung (胡坤文)	Unknown
326	Unknown	Unknown
290	Dzi Dau Yu (齊道玉)	Chapei
301	Unknown	Unknown.
255	Nyien Ts Tsang (嚴子章)	Unknown.

Badges at this station which were taken from Tramway employees caps who were at 204 Pingliang Road at time of raid.

Conductors' Badges Nos. 391, 262, 253 and 327.

Motorman's Badge No. 244.

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T. Crowder 2/

Sir.

I beg to report that the Shanghai Omnibus Company's Buses resumed running, as usual, in this District this morning, but were withdrawn from the streets again at 2p.m. owing to interference by strike agitators, and after one of the Buses plying on Yangtszepoo Road had been attacked and damaged by strike agitators.

At 6a.m. today three tramcars, for No. 7 Route, left the Yangtzepeo Road Depot, to resume running, but these cars were only brought as far as the corner of Broadway and Muirhead Road, when the drivers took them back to the Depot again. Their reason for doing so being, that they had been informed that if they proceeded further, loafers were going to attack and break up the cars. Three cars to run in 8 and 9 Routes were also taken out of the Depot at 6a.m. today but they only went as far as Broadway Bridge, and then returned to the Depot, the drivers giving the same excuse for returning the cars as the others herein aforementioned.

At 1p.m. today about 450 tram Drivers, Conductors, and Inspectors, assembled at the Yangtszepoo Road Depot ready to take out their cars, and resume work, on condition that the Chinese who were injured, and arrested, in the fracas with the Police on Nanking Road last night, would be compensated, for injuries received, by the Tramway Company. These men waited at the Depot until the Tram Company's Compradore, Mr. Lee Kyih Tsang arrived in his car, and told them to return to their homes, and that they could return to their work tomorrow, the 24/1/'27, also

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that in the meantime he would interview the Managers of the Tram
-way Company with a view to an amicable settlement being made.
The men then dispersed without incident.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently.

D. I.

Extract from Intelligence Report

dated January 23, 1927. (J. 6. 7582)

The strike in the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., has been settled and the employees are gradually resuming work. The agreement, resulting in the termination of the dispute, which was signed on January 21, is reported to be as follows:-

1. That all employees receive an annual increase in wages of $7\frac{1}{2}\%$
2. That the employees be given a bonus equivalent to half a month's wages at the end of the Chinese year.
3. That the Employees' Union be recognized as a representative organ of the workers.
4. That the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Days of the Chinese New Year be observed as holidays, and that employees called upon to maintain the service during these days be given double pay.
5. That wages be paid as usual to all workers for the period of the strike.
6. That all new employees be engaged through the Employees' Union.
7. That five ex-employees of the Company who lost their jobs as a result of the General Strike on May 30, last year, be re-instated.
8. That all increases in wages be paid in dollars and fractions of dollars.
9. That half-day holiday be granted on the Dragon Boat Festival, Mid-Autumn Festival and October 10, and that double pay be issued to those who are called upon to work on these occasions.
10. That no workers be dismissed for having participated in the strike.

11. That no fines be imposed upon workers without reasons.
12. That a bonus equivalent to two days' wages be granted to employees who work 25 days or more in a month.
13. That half-pay be issued to all spare men.
14. That the Company undertake responsibility when accidents are caused by motormen and conductors while driving on the streets.
15. That motormen on railless trams be protected from wind and rain by means of windows.
16. That motormen and conductors be allowed to wear whatever kind of shoes they like.
17. That the grace allowed to fitters arriving late for work be extended to ten minutes.
18. That special trams be provided to convey fitters from their homes to their work, and vice versa.

A meeting to discuss this agreement was held at 3.15 p.m. on January 22, 1927, on a piece of vacant ground at the corner of Baikal Road and Thorburn Road. There were about 2,000 persons, mostly strikers present, and Hsu Ping Kung (), a fitter, presided. The agreement was read out in full. The audience agreed to the terms, and unanimously adopted a resolution in favour of resuming work on the morning of January 23, 1927. On the termination of the meeting which was orderly, the strikers proceeded to Waiyide Depot, 20 Yangtze Road. With the permission of the Tramway Co., ^{they} took out about twenty trams and trailers with the object of parading from Waiyide Depot to Bubbling Well Depot in order to show the public that the strike was terminated. All these cars were packed with people who in addition to Tramway employees included representatives from several labour unions in the Eastern District, about 2000 men. The parade started at 4.15 p.m. The occupiers of the cars were at first well behaved, but later marked their

progress by shouting, waving banners and firing crackers. When efforts were made by two foreign representatives of the Municipal Police at Hongkew Bridge to induce them to desist from this conduct and turn back, they descended from the cars and surrounded the officers who in order not to precipitate trouble were obliged to allow the parade to continue, Southward along the Bund in defiance of their orders. As a result of instructions given by these officers after they had extricated themselves from the crowd, electrical power was cut and the parade was stopped when the leading car reached Suzhou Road. The workers then alighted, and started to push the trams westwards. When the strikers and their sympathizers, who by this time had developed into a frenzied mob, were ordered by the Municipal Police to stop pushing the cars, they attacked the officers with stones, sticks and other missiles. When it became clear that the mob could not be quelled by other means, the streets were cleared by means of a baton charge.

In the course of the riot P.Cs. 191 Varndell, P.C. 44 Bonner and P.C. 155 Kersley received injuries which necessitated hospital treatment.

The deserted cars were removed by Foreign and senior Chinese employees of the Tramway Co., at 7.15 p.m. the same day.

The motormen and conductors of the Shanghai Omnibus Co., who refused to start work on January 22, owing to intimidation by strikers of the Shanghai Tramway Company, resumed work on the morning of January 23, provided that two buses which have been sent out on trial are not molested, the service will be resumed to-day, January 23.

Translations of the handbills distributed in the
Wayside Distfict on January 21, 1927 are attached
herewith.

Following demonstrations made against some of the
cars by loafers, the Shanghai Electrical Construction Co.,
has again decided to suspend its service temporarily.

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REPORT ON Strike Circulars.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

Sir,

I beg to forward attached copies of strike circulars which were distributed among strikers in this district today.

C. D. I. Givens
Intelligence Office.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently

J. W. Prince
D. I.

J. W. Prince

Translation of a handbill distributed in
the Wayside District on January 21, 1927.

(1) Strike Fictorial, No. 1, January 21, 1927.

Published by the Strike Committee of the Shanghai
Tramway Company Employees' Union.

(2) We swear not to resume work if we do not attain
our object. If we remain firm, the final victory will be
ours.

(3) Our three principles are:-

(a) Do not resume work unless we achieve our object.

(b) Do not listen to the Company's rumours.

(c) Do not become running dogs.

(4) A running dog which has been captured by the Labour Union.

(5) The manager walking on our heavy load.

The worker : The Tramway employees will soon liberate
themselves from the Company's oppression.

(6) A representative of the Union to the workers :

"Do not listen to the Company's rumours ! Never resume

"work without instructions from the Union. All those

"who ignore the Union's instructions are running dogs which

"we must overthrow".

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Translation of a handdistributed in the
Wayside District 1-1-27.

To the Tramway Company's Inspectors:-

We have struck work owing to the difficulties of maintaining our livelihood because we can adopt no other way. You are Chinese citizens employed by foreigners. We are therefore sure that you will have sympathy with us. Rumours are current that you will drive the cars from tomorrow, which we believe is not true, but no Chinese is willing to help the foreigners against their own brethren. You are clever gentlemen and therefore should be able to understand that if you break up our strike by driving the cars tomorrow, you become traitors and carry your fame in the whole of Shanghai. Clever men never do such things. When employees of the French Tramway Company went on strike the inspectors expressed their sympathy with them. We believe that you can show the same spirit. If you refuse to operate the cars, you will have peace. Let us Chinese help one another and do not be running dogs!

The Strike Committee of the Tramway Employees'
Union, International Settlement.

Translation of a handbill distributed in the
Wayside District on January 21, 1927.

Down with Wong Ah Foh, the second Hyien Tien Sung !

We have received a report that Wong Ah Fong has received a large sum of money from the Company in return for which he is disseminating rumours amongst the workers. He is pressing the workers to resume work, having totally ignored the welfare of his 2,000 colleagues. He is indeed a loathsome running dog. We hope that you will not listen to his rumours, but will be ready to beat down this running dog; take a firm stand in the matter of demands and never resume work until they are granted. (Wong Ah Foh deceived the workers by stating that an agreement has been signed which is an entire fabrication). Wong's running dog, Hsu Ching Sung, after having been caught by the Union, expressed his willingness to repent and to obey the Union's instructions. But Wong Ah Foh has sent out a large number of small running dogs, so all workers must beware of them. It will be indeed fortunate for the whole body of workers if all the large and small running dogs can be captured.

The Strike Committee of the International
Settlement Tramway Employees' Union.

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22nd, January,

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REPORT ON Riot caused by the Tramway Company's strikers on
Nanking Road.

Made by P. G. S. Omand.

Forwarded by *Inspector D. Munn.*

Sir,

I beg to report that at about 5 p.m. on the 22nd, January, 1927, employees of the Shanghai Electrical Construction Company who are at present on strike, in all numbering about 1,500, starting off from Wayside Tramway Depot with the supposed intention of conveying to the general public their intention of commencing work on the 23rd, inst.. With the permission of the tramway Coy., they used about fifteen tramcars & trailers to convey the procession from the above mentioned depot to Bubbling Well depot and intended returning to Wayside. Their route was to be Broadway, Nanking, & Bubbling Well Roads.

Under the belief that the procession of tramcars would go through the International Settlement in quite an orderly & peaceful manner & nothing demonstrative would be displayed; police on duty allowed them to traverse Wayside district. Immediately the procession of tramcars left the view of the Wayside police the strikers in the trams were reinforced by various union agitators, when slogan banners were unfurled and, with addition of a plentiful supply of crackers, the supposed orderly procession had all appearance of turning into an agitated & disorderly demonstration.

At this point about twenty women were made use of by the strikers to shout various strike slogans & for general agitation purposes.

This state of affairs continued until they reached the Garden Bridge where the strikers gave renewed energy to their vocal strike cries while the display of flags was noticeably increased.

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Near the Garden Bridge the procession was stopped and warned by A.C.P. Major Wainwright and Chief Inspector Young to behave in an orderly manner. The strikers however alighted from the various tramcars with the intention of manhandling the two heretofore mentioned police officers. The timely intervention, however, of some of the senior members (strikers) of the Tramway company prevented these two officers from receiving possible bodily harm. They were again warned to return to wayside Depot but these orders were the signal for an outburst of gestulations - the procession proceeded in defiance of police orders, southwards along the Bund.

Conduct such as the strikers were exhibiting if exhibited in a thickly populated Chinese quarter (e.g. Nanking & Chekiang Rds corner) would undoubtedly meet with the sympathy of a big proportion of the Chinese pedestrians with a possible clash with the police. Major Wainwright then ordered the Electricity Department to cut off the tramway electrical power & at the same time summoning the Emergency Squad, Gordon Road Depot, while C. I. Young informed Central Police Station to mobilise all available men and to proceed to Nanking & Yangtze Roads corner. The cutting of the power thus disabled the tram procession the first car of which was then at Szechuen & Nanking Roads corner. At this point the strikers alighted from the tramcars & commenced pushing the tramcars west along Nanking Road the police attempting to stop this course of action. The first tramcar was now at Honan & Nanking Rds corner where they were met by a squad of police from Central Station & the Emergency Squad. The strikers seeing their second line of action failing rushed from behind the tramcar & with the shout "tang

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: tang : " rushed the police. The officer in charge timely order-
-ed a baton charge which drove the strikers along Nanking to
Kiangse Road, here, a determined stand was staged by the strikers,
They then armed themselves with stones, sticks, and other missiles
which they threw freely at the police. Another baton charge was
made by the police with the result that the ranks of the strikers
was broken up into small crowds and little difficulty was experien-
-ced in escorting the remains of the strikers over the Garden Bridg
-e into Hongkew district.

In the course of the riot P. Cs. 191 Varndell, P.C. 41 Bonner
and P.C. 155 Kersley, were injured by stones thrown by the striker
-s their injuries necessitated hospital treatment. P.C. 191
Varndall is detained in the General Hospital suffering from a cut
under the left eye, & back of the head,

It was noticable that a number of the chinese who took part
in this riot were not employees of the Tramway Co., and seemed to
be agitators & hotheads taking full benefit of any opportunity to
intensify the agitation of the crowd.

The deserted cars remained on Nanking Road until 7-15 p.m.
when they were removed by foreign & senior chinese employed by the
Tramway Co.

The police were then withdrawn from Nanking Road and the
district again became quiet.

During the course of this affair seven men were brought to
the station for enquiries two named Faung Ah Hai, (方阿海, Brass-
-smith, (Wayside Depot) and Tsang Zung Foh, (蒋顺福, Brass-smith,
(Wayside Depot), were detained in Shantung Road Hospital suffering

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from scalp wounds, the remaining five were eventually released.

I herewith attach a rough translation of flags and banners carried by the strikers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

James F. (Mando).
P.C.S.

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D. C. I.

-translation.

The Yangtszepoo Cotton Cloth labour Union.

International Settlement Tramway labour Union won the strike Anniversary.

Concerned together fight for our rights.

From the China Merchant Electrical labour Union.

The Tramway labour Union won the strike Anniversary.

The strength as unity can be made as strong as a city wall.

From the New Ewo Cotton Mill labour Union.

That because of the labour Union the strike is won.
A great happiness of winning the strike.

By force of strength of the labours is the labour's Union.

All the labourers of Shanghai to be United together.
Unite together for ever.

Labourers Union order.

Tramway workers won the ~~day~~ strike.
From the Long Peng Cotton mill.

Yangtszepoo Hung Fong Cotton mill labour Union.
Best wishes the Tramway Labour Union won the strike and resume work

From the Yangtszepoo Cloth labour Union.

Yangtszepoo old Ewo Cotton mill labour Union.

The tramway labour Union won the strike, "won, won"
From the Commercial Union.

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REPORT ON Strike situation in Wayside District.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

P. Crookdale C/I

Sir,

I beg to report that between 3.30 P.M., on 3.55 P.M., on the 22/1/27 about 2500 Chinese, mostly employees of the Shanghai Tramways C/o, held a meeting on a piece of vacant ground at the corner of Thorburn and Baikal Roads. Speeches were made at this meeting by men representing the Ewo Cotton Mill, Yangtsepoo Cotton Mill, Shanghai Omnibus C/o, and Tramway mens' Unions, all relating to the Tramway mens' strike, and congratulating the Tramway men on their victory over their employers. During this meeting four Japanese named, Yamamoto, Kojima, Fukin, and Otori, newspaper reporters attached to the Japanese Mainichi Offices, No 3 Thorburn Road, went to the meeting and attempted to take photographs of the assembly, but the Chinese resented this, and after assaulting the first named Japanese, by smacking his face, they chased them all away from the meeting place. The Japanese then came to Wayside station and reported the incident, after which they made a further report of it to the Japanese Consular Officials who sent some of their Police Officers to the meeting place to make inquiries with reference to the assault. These men Japanese were advised by C/I Crookdale not to go near the meeting lest any further disturbance should arise, whereupon they went away again. At the conclusion of the meeting the Chinese all formed into a procession and proceeded to the Tramway Depot on Yangtsepoo Road with the presumed intention of resuming work. A number of Car-drivers requested permission to take their cars out, and when this was granted, and the cars were taken out onto the road they were immediately filled by the people who had been at the meeting. Altogether 10 cars with trailers

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and one single car were taken out, and proceeded West along Yangtse-poo Road and Broadway to Hongkew and Central Districts. As they proceeded along Broadway the occupants of the cars let off fireworks, and shouted out slogans as follows.

Fight down the running dogs. Tramway employees' Union be united. Long Live the Tramway Mens' Union. Protect and uphold the Shanghai Labour Union.

Flags with the aforementioned slogans inscribed on them were also produced and waved by some of the occupants of the cars. These cars passed through Wayside district without further incident and did not return, before the order to stop them was received from the Central Station.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently

W. H. Prince
D. I.

[Handwritten signature]

W.H.

Extracts from Intelligence Report dated January 22, 1927. (J. 6 7579)

Handbills containing denunciations of Great Britain and eulogies of Lenin were distributed at various places in the Settlement, including the Shanghai Tramway Co.'s Depot, Hart Road, on the morning of January 21, 1927. Specimens of these leaflets are attached herewith with translations.

It is reported that the Shanghai General Labour Union has sent a contribution of \$25.00 to the funds of the Shanghai Tramway Employees' Union, and urged them to remain on strike until all their demands are conceded in full.

Several employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., who are on strike, were seen walking in a party on Wayside and Yangtszepoo Roads about noon on January 21 shouting imprecations against an inspector named Wong Ah Poh (王阿福) as they went. Speeches urging the employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., to persevere in the strike till the bitter end were made at a meeting which was attended by about six hundred of these workers and which was held at the corner of Baikal and Thorburn Roads between 2.30 p.m. and 4.45 p.m. January 21. The audience present, included representatives of the following organizations:

Sincere Co.	Employees' Union
Ewo Mill	" "
Yangtszepoo Cotton Mill	" "
Nanyang Bros Factory	" "
S.M.C. Electricity Dept.	" "

All of these promised to support the employees of the Tramway Co., who are on strike and as an earnest of their genuineness distributed cigarettes and money among them. The decisions reached at the meeting were as follows :-

1. That the employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co. persevere in their strike until their demands are conceded.
 2. That appeals be made to the local public bodies for assistance.
 3. That a supervisory corps be organized to prevent the Company from resuming work with the assistance of strike breakers.
 4. That a Propaganda Department be established.
 5. That the employees' union be supported.
- This strike affects 462 artisans, 600 motormen and 700 conductors.

Five employees of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., who were suspected of being anxious to resume work, were compelled at the Strikers' Union No. 204 Baikal Road, at 5 p.m. January 21 to sign a promise that they would take no action as individuals but would wait for the decision of the strikers as a body.

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SONG OF STRIKE.

1. The Britishers of the Company are very ferocious, they are too fond of violence against workers. A strike was declared, and the manager became frightened.
2. The manager wanted us to reach an arrangement by using many cunning languages. The strike must continue.
3. Tramway Inspectors came to interfere. A body of 200 picquets was formed, and they easily fixed them up.
4. Siau Woo Zaung was much frightened and absconded. His wife made many apologies.
5. Whoever dares to resume work, will suffer slaps on the face. We should exert ourselves and the real victory will come very soon.

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The song bears the date January 20, 1927
W.H.

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REPORT ON Strike situation in Wayside District.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I.

Forwarded by

P. Corbado

Sir,

I beg to report that at 12 Noon today about 150 employees of the Shanghai Tramway C/o, in the form of a procession two and three deep, entered wayside district from Yangtsepoo by way of Yangtsepoo Road, and proceeded West as far as Wayside Road where they turned into Wayside Road and returned to Yangtsepoo district; On the way these men called out aspersions on one Wong Ah Foh an Inspector in the employ of the Shanghai Tramway C/o, against whom they apparently have some grudge; The procession was escorted through this district by Police and Detectives from this station without any untoward incident; Between 2.30 P.M. and 4.45 P.M., today about 800 employees of the Shanghai Tramway C/o held a meeting at the corner of Baikal and Thorburn Roads. Speeches were made by several of the strikers on the necessity of maintaining the ~~stri~~ strike in order to enforce their demands, and delegates from the Sinceres' Employees' Union, Ewo Cotton Mill, Yangtsepoo Cotton Mill, Nanyang Bros', China Merchants' Tobacco C/o Ward Road, and the S.M.C. Electricity Dep't Unions were present, bringing with them presents in the shape of money and cigarettes for the Tramway men, and statements were made to the effect that if the Tramway mens' strike was not satisfactorily settled they would bring the Omnibus men out on strike, and call a general strike in Shanghai. At about 5 P.M. today five motormen, who went to the Tramway Depot with the intention of resuming work, were arrested by strike pickets and taken to the strikers' union at No 204 Baikal Road where they were required to sign guaranty that they would not resume work until all the strikers did so in a body, after which they were released;

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently

J. W. Prince

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Bubbling Well Station.

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REPORT ON Pamphlets of an inflammatory nature found in the compound of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co's depot, Hart Road.

Made by D.S. Henry.

Forwarded by

J. H. Lacey Inspi

Sir:

I beg to forward specimens of inflammatory pamphlets handed to the Sergeant on Charge Room duty at this Station at 10.45am, January 21, 1927 by Mr. A.Y.Tait of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co Ltd. The pamphlets as far as can be ascertained were thrown into the compound over the gate leading from Annam Road to the Depot.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

C. B. Henry

D. S.

M.B.
D. C. I.

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Extract from Intelligence Report
dated January 21, 1927
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The strike in the Shanghai Electric Construction Company, affecting 462 artisans of miscellaneous trades, 600 motormen, and 700 conductors, which started at 12 noon January 17, 1927, still continues. The strikers are still using No. 204 Lung Woo Li (升和里), corner of Pingliang and Wishing Roads, as their offices. About 300 of the strikers endeavoured to make a demonstration in the Jayside Card Shed, No. 20a Yangtszepoo Road, about noon on January 20, but were dispersed by the Municipal Police. A deputation of the strikers, who had a conference lasting from 5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. January 20 with representatives of the Company in the Traction House 7/8 Soochow Road, promised that work would be resumed to-day, January 21 on the Company's terms which are as follows:

Demands of Workers.

Offers by Company.

General.

1. An annual 20% increase of wages irrespective of merit.
2. One month's bonus at the end of the China year.

1. The Company will continue its present practice of annual revision but will not agree that increases shall be given irrespective of merit, etc.
2. The Company will pay annually a bonus at the following rates commencing at China New Year 1927:-
To each employee on the permanent staff a bonus calculated at the rate of 1/24 of his earnings

during any year from
1st Jan. to 31st Dec.
This is equivalent on a
full year's work to
approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ of one
month's pay.

Requests.

3. Recognition of the Union having power to represent whole body of workers.
4. Foreigners not to strike, abuse or dismiss workers. Workers not to be dismissed without the consent of the Union.
5. Five days holiday from the Chinese New Year eve to the 4th day of the 1st moon, Full pay during holidays and double pay to those who work.

Company's Offers.

3. The Company will in future as in the past always be willing to receive and deal with any deputation of its own employees but is not willing to receive or deal with any outside body or association in connection with matters concerning the welfare of its employees.
4. Foreigners are not allowed to ill treat workers and do not do so. The Company will not hand over the right to dismiss workers to anybody, Union or otherwise.
5. Motormen and Conductors already get double pay when working on each of the 5 days specified. Permanent employees in the Works & Line Depts. will be given 3 days holiday with pay at China New Year - those required to work on these 3 days will be paid double pay.

Requests.

6. Full pay during sick leave.
7. Full pay during strike.
8. Restore those workers their positions lost for the May 30th affair Release the workers from prison and compensate losses incurred then.

Company's Offers.

6. This demand cannot be granted. In cases where workers are injured in performance of their duties the Company now makes reasonable payment during the period of sickness.
7. The Company cannot agree to the principle that workers shall be paid strike pay but because a large number of men have lost pay during the strike through causes over which they have no control, the Company will as a special consideration pay during January 1927 only, a special bonus equivalent to the amount of pay lost during the strike on condition that normal work is resumed on the night of Thursday the 20th inst and continued.
8. This request cannot be granted moreover the Company is not prepared to discuss matters which happened nearly two years ago.

Requests.

Works Dept.

1. No deduction in wages to be made when a worker is late attending duty inside of 15 minutes.
2. Workers to be provided with passes and have free use of them at any time.
3. Apprentices to be treated as regular workers after 4 years apprenticeship and be given workers wages.
4. Customary holidays for Commemoration days and festivals - Foreign and Chinese.
Full pay for such holidays.

Company's Offer.

1. The present period of "grace" at Baikal Road and other Depots in the early morning will be extended from 5 to 10 minutes.
2. Workers now get free travel to and from duty and the existing privileges cannot be extended.
3. Present scheme is reasonable but details will be reconsidered.
4. Having regard to the nature of the Company's business this request is unreasonable and cannot be met. The Company will however extend the existing holiday privileges to the Works Dept. to include a half day's holiday with pay on:-
Dragon Boat Festival Day
and
Moon Festival Day.

Requests.

Traffic Dept.

1. 20% increase in wages.
2. Shortening of working hours which must not exceed 8 hours a day. In event of special circumstances extra wages ~~shall~~ be given in proportion to time worked.
3. Workers be given a chance of making a statement when fines are imposed.
4. Full pay for each 4 days holiday each month.

Company's Offers.

1. As from the 1st Jan. 1927 the Company will increase the pay of each motorman & conductor by one Mexican dollar per month and will further increase the maximum rate on the motorman & Conductors scale from 27 dollars to 30 Mexican dollars by the usual stages.
2. This request is not practicable for Traffic Duties - an exact 8 hours day cannot be arranged and calculations of time worked must be based on averages which are now only a little over 8 hours per day and are reasonable.
3. It is not understood why this request is made as workers are now given an opportunity of making a statement etc.
4. As from the 1st Jan. 1927 the Company will pay the motormen and conductors 21 days pay when 20 days are worked in any month and 28 days ^{pay} when 26 days are worked.

Requests.

5. Full pay for sparemen.
6. Compassionate grant be given as is done in the Commercial Press, regardless of reason for ~~resignation~~ resignation.
7. Workers to be paid at any time when workers come to get and withdraw past evil practices.
8. Workers to be provided with leather boots during work.
9. Company to be responsible for outside accidents encountered by Motormen.
10. Beside the seats of motormen in Trolley buses glasses be furnished.

Company's Offers.

5. Sparemen are now paid for time worked as is the case with other employees - guaranteed pay for days not worked cannot be given.
6. This request is not clearly understood - the Company now makes certain payments to dependants in case of death of an employee and cannot extend present grants.
7. The meaning of this request is not understood.
8. This request cannot be granted.
9. The meaning of this request is not clear.- if motormen have any grievances regarding accidents and put the matter up through the usual channels it will be considered.
10. Driving mirrors will be fitted on all Trolley Buses as soon as they can be obtained.

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- II. Point Boys be provided with raincoats.
- I2. Odd cents for wages to be given with subsidiary silver coin notes.

- II. These boys are now provided with an overcoat.
- I2. This matter will be investigated.

Handbills containing strike news and references to the death of Lenin were found on January 20, 1927, in the Tramway Co's Shed at No.120 Whashing Road. The following is a translation of one of these notices:

"Lenin, the Labour Leader of the Whole World.

"January 21, (1927), is the 3rd anniversary of the demise of Lenin!

"Fellow Workers in Shanghai !

"Lenin, the Leader of the Whole World's Proletariat died

"3 years ago, yet the development of the movement for the

"world revolution has been continuous in all countries,

"including China. The situation in Russia becomes more

"settled daily. This is the fruit of Lenin's work. Let

"us to-day accept Leninism and assist the radicals in

"China and the world revolutionary movement. Lenin was the

"great leader of proletarianism. Let us study the doctrines

"of Lenin. Let us be energetic in assisting the national

"revolution ! Let us work energetically for World

"Revolution!"

Shanghai General Labour Union

January 1927.

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Jan. 20, 1927.

Further **REPORT ON** The International Settlement Tramway Coy's
Union, 204 Pingliang Road.

Made by D.S. Telfer

Forwarded by *M. H. Brown, Inspector*

Sir,

I beg to report the above address is still open and names are still being taken down as explained in previous report.

Attached are handbills which were found on Jan. 20th, 1927 in the Tramway Coy's Shed at 120 "hashing Road.

As far as could be ascertained, a representation was sent by the Union to the Tramway Coy's Headquarters, 7/8 Soochow Road about 10 a.m. on Jan. 20th, 1927 with the purpose of negotiating with the management re terms submitted by the Union.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Alexander Telfer

D. S.

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D. C. I.

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Extract from Intelligence Report

dated January 20, 1927. (J. C. 7546).

The strike in the Shanghai Electric Construction Company, affecting 462 artisans of miscellaneous trades, 600 motormen, and 700 conductors, which started at 12 noon, January 17, 1927 still continues. The strikers are still using No. 204 Tung Woo Li (), corner of Pingliang and Washing Roads, as their offices. Letters purporting to emanate from the Postal Employees' Union, No. 41 Shou Ying Fong () Ten Tung Road, near Dixwell Road, O.C.L., the Chinese Relief Society, No. 3 San Teh Li () Paoshan Road, and containing promises that these organizations will support the strikers are displayed inside the premises. It is reported that the strikers are planning to hold a general meeting at about 2 p.m. to-day, January 20, 1927, near the corner of Thorburn and Baikal Roads. The following letter from the Strikers' Union was sent to the Yangtszepoo Station about 2.30 p.m. January 19:-

"To Inspector i-c Yangtszepoo Station:

"We, tramway employees, went on strike with a view to inducing the management to assist in improving our livelihood, and our demands are entirely of an economic nature. We ~~which~~ are all prepared to resume work as soon as these demands are granted. We are endeavouring to preserve the peace and hope you will intervene on our behalf and afford us protection. We are sending a representative to see you with a view to opening negotiations."

On going inside the house, there was nothing of importance on the ground floor, except hanging on a nail near the main doorway from Pingliang Road, were a few handbills with the strikers demands (already forwarded), which had apparently been put there with the express purpose for members to have one. Upstairs were two tables, one was in a small room on the west side with about 30 forms for sitting, and there would be about 20 strikers there, most of whom were crowding round this table, giving their names to a member who was putting them down on a sheet of paper in red ink. Pasted on the walls nearby were letters, but the most important were from the Post Office Union and the Tsi Nan We (濟難會) (The Relief Society). I did not take any of the letters to the Station, in case it may incite some of the workers to

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become outrageous. The former Union's letter was to the effect that the Post Office employees would assist the Tramway workers and also go on strike if necessary to push their demands. The Society's letter also stated every assistance would be given to the strikers. The other table was in a small room on the North side where names were also being taken down, and the workers were coming in in gradual numbers from the roadway as others left. On being questioned why the names were being written down they stated they were holding a meeting at Baikal Road and Thorburn Road corner between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on January 20th 1927 and this was a guarantee by those who would attend. Inspector Robertson noticed a French tramway man at above address in the crowd.

Owing to the fact all the strikers were peaceful, we did not interfere with them.

Attached is a letter which was handed into this Station about 2.30 p.m. on Jan. 19th, 1927, but was not given to the Sergeant on duty by the Interpreter Wong Ching Su (汪景蘇) until after we had returned from the phone call about 4.35 p.m. This was owing to a misunderstanding by him. So far, no representative from the Tramway Union has come to the Station to negotiate.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Alexander Teffer

D. S.

D. C. I.

Extract from Intelligence Report
dated January 19, 1927. (J. G. File 7573)

The strike in the Shanghai Electrical Construction Company, which affects 462 artisans of miscellaneous trades, 600 motormen, and 700 conductors, and which started at noon, January 17, 1927, still continues. As a result of meetings held by the strikers on January 18 in the Si Ah (西巷) Teashop, corner of Sinza and Chengtu Roads, and on a piece of vacant ground at the corner of Thoroun and Baikal Roads, representatives have been appointed to conduct negotiations with the employers:-

Yu Foh Sung (俞福生), foreman fitter, Baikal Road Depot,
Woo Bai Hsien (吳倍軒), foreman Cableman,
Tsang Hsiao Fah (張孝芳), for motormen and conductors
Tseu Ah Hui (謝阿二), do.
Chen Ping Ziang (陳炳祥) do.

In addition to the above mentioned five, 7 motormen and 10 conductors were selected to undertake the formation of a Tramway Employees' Union, the preparatory office of which has been established at No. 204 Sung Ju Li (什和里) Washing Road, near Baikal Road Tram Depot. The strikers have planned to hold a meeting in this address at 3 p.m. to-day, January 19. The demands now being made by these strikers are as follows:-

General Demands.

1. That the employees' wages be increased by 20% every year irrespective of the character of their work.
2. That the employees be given one month's extra pay at the end of the Chinese year.
3. That the Employees Union be recognized as a medium entitled to represent the employees.
4. That no foreigners be allowed to insult or assault workers, and that no workers be dismissed without the approval of the Labour Union.

5. That the employees be granted five days' holiday at the Chinese New Year, and that double pay be given to those who are called upon to work.
6. That the employees receive full pay when they are on sick leave.
7. That the employees receive full pay for the period of the strike.
8. That the workers who were dismissed in connection with the May 30th Movement, be reinstated, and that those who are in prison be released and given a compassionate grant as compensation for their sufferings.

Special Demands by the Workers of the
Mechanical Department:

1. That no workers be punished nor fined for coming late to offices unless they are more than 15 minutes late.
2. That tram passes be issued to all workers.
3. That apprentices who have completed 4 years be paid at the same rate as adult employees.
4. That all foreign and Chinese festivals be observed as holidays.

Special Demands by Workers of the Traffic
Department:

1. That an increase of 20% be granted to all employees.
2. That working time be fixed at 8 hours per day.
3. That justice be observed in dealing with employees guilty of offences.
4. That four free days, for which they will be paid at the usual rates, be granted to employees each month.
5. That wages be paid at the usual rates to spare men.

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January 18th. 1927.

REPORT ON Strike of Tramway Company's Employees and

Damage to Tramcars.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

P. C. H. L. H. 1/2

Sir,

I beg to report that at 6.25a.m. on the 18/1/'27 a report was received at this station to the effect that certain Tramway Company's employees, Fitters, were breaking up tram cars on the Yangtsepoo Road, near Jansen Road. C. I. Crookdake, and all men available at this station turned out immediately, and on proceeding to the scene found that four tramcars running on the Yangtsepoo Route had been held up near Jansen Road by a number of Fitters, about 20, employed by the Tramway Company, who are on strike, and these men had ordered the passengers to alight from the cars, after which the fitters had broken all the windows in three of the cars, with iron bars, after which they decamped through alleyways. When the Police arrived on the scene, the men who had damaged the cars had all disappeared, and inquiries, by our men failed to discover their identity. Following this, the damaged cars were all returned to the Yangtsepoo Road Depot, by their Drivers, and from that time all Motormen, and Conductors, and other employees at the above Depot have been on strike. It is reported that the cause of this General Strike is dissatisfaction among the men over the result of recent negotiations with their employers, with reference to the strike among the Fitters employed by the Company, and certain demands which they made of their employers in connection with their Service.

Between 3.15p.m. and 4.45p.m. on the 18/1/'27 about 600 Motormen, Conductors, Fitters, and other employees of the Shanghai Tramway Company held a meeting on a piece of vacant ground at the corner of Therburn and Baikal Roads, speeches were

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made by several of the men, who ~~exported~~ the others to continue the strike, peacefully, until satisfactory negotiations had been made with their employers. It was also proposed to send delegates to meet their employers on the 19/1/'27 and five men were chosen for this mission. Their names are as follows:

Yui Foh Sung (余福生) Foreman Fitter, Baikal Road Depot,

Woo Pau Hyi (吴培轩) Foreman Cable man,

Tsang Siao Fah (张孝法)

Tseu Ah Nyi (周阿二) For Motormen and Conductors.

It was also proposed to form a Tramway Employees Union, and for this purpose 2 Motormen and 5 Conductors were elected to represent the Hart Road Depot, and 5 Motormen and 5 Conductors to represent Yangtsepo and Baikal Road Depots. These men together with the aforementioned 5 Delegates are to form the nucleus of the Union, and they are to hold a meeting at 3p.m. on the 19/1/'27, at No. 204 Sung Wu Li alleyway, Washing Road, near Baikal Road Tram Depot to form the new Union and formulate new demands which the employees in general want to present to their employers.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently,

D. I.

Extract from Daily Report of January
18, 1927. (J. C. 7587)

Four hundred fitters, joiners, painters, blacksmiths, boulders and wiremen, employed in the depot of the Shanghai Tramway Co., Baikal Road, and 62 others of similar trades working in the Bubbling Well and Wayside Departments struck work at about 12 noon January 17, 1927 in order to emphasize their dissatisfaction with the replies given by the Company to the demands which they made recently. This strike extended at 5.18 a.m. January 18 to 600 motormen and 700 conductors, who are also demanding an increase in wages and improvement of working conditions. The demands which were recently made by the mechanics of the Shanghai Electric Construction Co., and the replies of the Management of that concern are as follows:

Demands

General:

1. Increases to be made once every year.
2. One month's bonus at end of China Year.

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1. In practise this obtains now to a large extent but the Company is now willing to agree that increases shall be given irrespective of merit etc.
2. To pay bonus at the following rates:-
 - A. Where service is under 1 year bonus at the rate of $\frac{1}{48}$ of earnings during the year. Approximately equivalent to $\frac{1}{4}$ of one month's pay.
 - B. Where service exceeds 1

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3. The Company to recognize the Union as representing the whole body of workers.
4. Foreigners shall not strike or otherwise ill treat the workers nor to dismiss workers without the consent of the Union.
5. Full pay during 5 days holiday in China New Year for those who do not work and double pay for those who work.
6. No reduction in wages when a worker is on sick leave.

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year bonus at the rate of $1/24$ of earnings during the year. Approximately equivalent to $1/2$ of one month's pay.

A year to be reckoned as the period from 1st January to 31st December.

3. The Company will in the future as in the past always be willing to receive and deal with any deputation of its own employees but is not willing to receive or deal with any outside body or association in connection with matters concerning the welfare of its employees.
4. Foreigners are not allowed to ill treat workers and do not do so.
The Company will not hand over its right to dismiss workers to anybody, Union or otherwise.
5. Will be considered and some modification of existing arrangements made notice of which will be given by the 22nd inst.
6. This demand cannot be granted. In cases where workers are injured in performance of their duties the Company makes reasonable payment during the

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7. Full pay during strike.

Fitters:

8. Mr. Hunt to be dismissed.
9. No deduction in wages to be made when a worker is late in attending duty inside of 15 minutes.
10. All workers to be provided with a Pass.
11. Apprentices having worked fully 4 years to be regarded as a regular worker and paid accordingly.
12. No work on all customary Holidays (whether Chinese or Foreign) but with full pay.

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period of sickness.

7. The Company has already agreed that the pay of those workers who were on strike on the 13th and 14th inst., will not be deducted because of their agreement to start work again on the 14th inst. but the Company will make no agreement to make any similar payments in future.
8. The Company will not agree to dismiss Mr. Hunt.
9. The present period of "grace" at Baikal Road in the early morning will be extended from 5 to 10 minutes.
10. Workers now get free travel to and from duty and the existing privileges cannot be extended.
11. Present scheme is reasonable but details will be re-considered.
12. Having regard to the nature of the Company's business this demand is unreasonable and cannot be met. The Company now grants reasonable leave with pay on five

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holiday days in each year.

Motormen & Conductors

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| <p>13. 20% increase in wages.</p> <p>14. Decrease the number of working hours to 8 hours a day.</p> <p>15. When a fine is to be imposed the workers should be given a chance to make a statement and when found unreasonable to be withdrawn.</p> <p>16. Four days holiday every month with full pay.</p> <p>17. Sparemen to be paid in full.</p> | <p>13. Cannot be granted but the maximum rate of pay to motormen & conductors will be increased from 27 Mex. dollars per month to 30 Mex. dollars by the usual stages.</p> <p>14. This demand is not practicable for Traffic duties-an exact 8 hour day for each day of the year cannot be arranged. At present the hours worked are approximately 8 per day and are reasonable.</p> <p>15. It is not understood why this demand is made because workers are now given the chance to make a statement etc.</p> <p>16. 28 days pay to each motorman and conductor who works 26 days in the month.</p> <p>17. They are paid in full now and any spareman who is willing can always obtain plenty of work but the Company cannot give any guaranteed pay for days not worked.</p> |
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The Company's proposals as set out above were made subject to the following conditions:-

1. That they are accepted and agreed as a final settlement of all matters in dispute with their employees.
2. That the employees agree to perform their duties in a

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reasonable and efficient manner and not to cease work at any time without giving the Company due notice.

C C P Y

To D. C. I.,

i/c C. I. D.

Intelligence Office,

January 18, 1927.

Sir,

A crowd of fitters and other mechanics
to the number of about 400 at 6.15 a.m. January 18,
at the corner of Thorburn and Mangtasepoo Roads broke
the windows of three taxicabs which were consequently
obliged to return to the car shed.

(Signed) T. P. Givens.

C. D. I.

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Wayside Police Station

January 17th. 1927.

REPORT ON Shanghai Tramway Company's Employees Strike.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by *P. C. Loh &*

Sir,

I beg to report that 35 fitters employed at the Shanghai Tramway Company's Depot, Yangtsepo Road went on strike from 12 noon on the 17/1/'27. The cause of this strike is stated to be dissatisfaction on the part of the men, with the new conditions of labour offered them by their employers.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently,

J. W. Prince
D. I.

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REPORT ON Strike at the Shanghai Tramway Coy.,

120 Whashing Road.

Made by D.S. Telfer

Forwarded by

Mr. Gibson, Insp.

Sir,

I beg to report about 11.55 a.m. on Jan. 17th, 1927, a telephone message was received from Mr. H.C.B. Peck (Rolling Stock and Works Supt. at 120 Whashing Road) from the Shanghai Tramway Coy's Headquarters, 7/8 Soochow Road, to the effect that the employees at 120 Whashing Road were expected to go on strike about 12.30 p.m. on above date.

The above information materialised at time stated, and the employees, 400 in all composed of Fitters, Joiners, Painters, Blacksmiths, Moulders and Wiremen, left and did not create any disturbance. As far as can be ascertained, the reason for the workers going on strike is owing to dissatisfaction in demands, which they had put forward. Attached are the demands and proposals which I received from Mr. C. Burgess, Manager of the Shanghai Tramway Coy on Jan. 17th, 1927.

Detached for morning report.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Alexander Telfer

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Extract from Daily Report of January
14, 1927. (J.C. 7559)

Four hundred fitters, joiners, painters, black smiths, moulders and wiremen, employed in the depot of the Shanghai Tramway Co., Baikal Road, struck work on the forenoon of January 13, and their example was followed shortly afterwards by 68 members of similar trades, working in the Hart Road and Jayside Departments. All these employees are still out this morning. The trouble originated through indignation resulting from the interrogation by a foreign superior of two Chinese employees named Yui Foh Sung (俞福生) and Tsang Siau Tang (張小芳), who were absent from their regular posts when Myien Ting Sung (倪天生) was assassinated, as to their whereabouts at that time.

It is reported that the strikers have submitted the following demands:-

1. That a bonus equal to one month's wages be given ^{the} to all employees at Chinese New Year.
2. That general working conditions be improved.

These demands are being considered by the management and it is expected that strikers will resume this afternoon, January 14.

Some four hundred persons who endeavoured to hold a meeting at the corner of Baikal and Thorburn Roads between 11.30 a.m. and 12 noon, January 13, 1927, in connection with the dispute in the Tramway depots were dispersed by the Municipal Police.

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REPORT ON Strike at the Shanghai Tramway Coy., 120 Whashing Road.

Made by D.S. Telfer

Forwarded by *Mr. Gibson, Insp.*

Sir,

I beg to report about 10.45 a.m. on Jan. 13th, 1927, a telephone message was received from Mr. H.C.B. Peck, Rolling Stock and Works Supt. at 120 Whashing Road, to the effect that a strike had commenced in the works at above address.

From inquiries made, it was ascertained that the trouble had originated in the Fitters Department. An assistant, Mr. H.J. Hunt, challenged two Chinese employees, named Yue Foh Sung (俞福生) (work No.38) and Tsang Siau Fong (張小芳) (work No.227) for not being at work on Jan. 12th, 1927. No.38 objected to be questioned on his absence and became very nasty, also called Mr. Hunt a "Foreign Pig". The Foreigner immediately told him to come and see Mr. Peck about the affair. On their way upstairs, the alarm ^{bell} suddenly rung by a fitter (Work No.6). This apparently gave due warning to all workers at above address to stop work. They joined and left the works without doing any damage. It appears No.227 is the ring leader. They all met on a piece of vacant ground at Whashing and Baikal Road corner (nearby the above address) and said they would like an interview with Mr. C. Burgess, General Manager, which was granted. After the talk between both parties, all the workers would have gone back only for the intervention by No.227. The strike eventually spread to the Wayside and Bubbling Well Departments. No.38 later impressed all the workers that he was struck by Mr. Hunt, but that is obviously introduced to extend the strike. The whole cause of the ill feeling is possibly owing to the fact that both

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employees were absent from their work when one of the Tramway workers was shot in Bubbling Well District, and therefore have got wind that they from the above coincidence are suspected of having some connection with the affair.

The number of workers effected is 400 which is composed of Fitters, Joiners, Painters, Blacksmiths, Moulders and Wiremen.

From a telephone message received from Mr. H.C.B. Peck on Jan. 14th, 1927, the employees at 120 Whashing Road, will be returning to work after tiffin on above latter date. They are resuming unconditionally, but demands put forward by them are being discussed by the management. Mr. Peck did not say what the demands were and was conservative in that respect.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Alexander Telford

D. S.

B. C. I.

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Extract from Intelligence Report dated January 15, 1927.

(J. G. File 7562)

The following is a translation of a handbill giving the demands of the employees of the Tramway Company on strike, which was found in possession of two boys arrested in Bubbling Well District on the morning of January 14, 1927:
Fellow workers,

We, the employees of the Shanghai Tramway Company, realize that our living conditions are oppressive and intolerable. At a general meeting of representatives of the whole body of workers of the Mechanical and Traffic Departments, we decided upon 17 demands which we have formally submitted to the management of the company. As our demands have been ignored, we and our colleagues in the Mechanical Department have declared a strike. Representatives of the company have announced that they will give us a definite reply next Saturday. The foreigner named "Hunt", who is guilty of assault, is willing to offer us an apology.

Fellow labourers !

We must pay special attention to the company's reply. Let us conserve our strength and strive to attain our ends.

Our General Demands are :-

1. That the employees' wages be increased every year.
2. That employees be given one month's pay as a bonus at the end of every Chinese year.
3. That the union of workers be recognized.
4. That foreigners be not allowed to insult or assault workers; and that no workers be dismissed without the consent of the labour union.
5. That employees be given five days' holiday at the Chinese New Year without suffering loss of pay, and that employees who consent to carry on the work during that period be given double pay.
6. That employees be given full pay when they are on sick leave.

7. That employees be given full pay for the period of the strike.

Our Special Demands in the Mechanical Department are:-

1. That Mr. Hunt be dismissed.
2. That no fines be imposed upon employees coming late to work unless they are fifteen minutes later than the scheduled time.
3. That all employees be given free tram passes.
4. That the apprenticeship period be not extended beyond four years.
5. That employees be given holidays on all Foreign and Chinese festivals with full pay.

Our Special Demands in the Traffic Department are :-

1. That the wages of the employees be increased by 20 per cent.
2. That employees work eight hours per day.
3. That employees be not fined without reasonable cause, and that they be allowed to give an explanation when a complaint is made against them.
4. That employees be given four days holiday with full pay every month.
5. That employees be given full pay when they are "waiting for work".

Shanghai Tramway Co. Employees' Union.

Four hundred fitters, joiners, painters, black smiths and wiremen, employed in the Laikail Road Depot of the Shanghai Tramway Co, and 62 workers of similar trades attached to the Hart Road and Waiside Departments, who struck on January 13, returned to work at 1.30 p.m. January 14, 1927, after having been informed that the Directors of the Company would reply in a week's time.

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Jan. 14, 1927.

Further **REPORT ON** Strike at the Shanghai Tramway Coy., 120 Whashing Road.

Made by D.S. Telfer

Forwarded by

M. Gibson Insp.

Sir,

I beg to report that the 400 employees who struck work at above place on Jan. 13th, 1927 resumed at 1.30 p.m. on Jan. 14th, 1927.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Alexander Telfer

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[Signature]
D. C. I.

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Wayside Police Station

January 14th. 1927.

REPORT ON Shanghai Electric Construction Company's Employees.

Made by J. W. Prince D. I. Forwarded by

P. C. W. Prince

Sir,

I beg to report that about 400 Fitters, employed at the Shanghai Electric Construction Company's Depot in the Eastern District, stopped work on the 13/1/'27 pending settlement of certain demands, which the men had laid before their employers. These men all returned to work at 1.30p.m. on 14/1/'27, after they had been informed that the Management would lay their demands before the Company's Directors, whose decision would be made known to the men after a week's time.

D. C. I.

I am, Sir,

Yours Obediently,

J. W. Prince
D. I.